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SUBJ: LOS: MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH YANKOV CONSULTATIONS COMMITTEE III DAILY REPORT (17 AUGUST 1976)

1. DISCUSSION IN YANKOV CONSULTATIONS ON AUGUST 16 AND 17 REFLECT DISTINCT LACK OF ENTHUSIASM TO DISCUSS ARTICLE 60. YANKOV FUCUSED DISCUSSIONS ON SCIENTIFIC PROPOSALS WHICH HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY PUT FORWARD. IN RESPONSE, U.S. TABLED PROPOSAL THAT MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH SHALL NOT REQUIRE THE CONSENT OF THE COASTAL STATE UNLESS AND SET FORTH A MODIFIED LISTING OF SUBPARAGRAPHS (A) (B) AND (D) FROM ARTICLE 60 OF RSNT. FRANCE INTERVENED TO STATE SUBPARA. (C) NOT STRONG ENOUGH AND SUGGESTED QTE HAMPER UNQTE IN PLACE OF QTE INTERFERE UNQTE. EGYPT ATTACKED PARAGRAPH 2 OF ARTICLE 60, WHILE IRAQ CALLED FOR SUPPRESSION OF COMPETING PROPOSALS AND INSTEAD SUGGESTED THERE SHOULD ONLY BE CONFIDENTIAL

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SPECIFIC AMENDMENTS OFFERED TO THE RSNT. JAPAN

SUPPORTED PROPOSAL OF FRG REGARDING CHAPEAU OF ARTICLE 60 BUT WOULD STATE THAT CONSENT SHOULD BE REQUIRED QTE ONLY IF THE PROJECT UNQTE AND THERE WOULD FOLLOW A LISTING SIMILAR TO THAT IN THE RSNT.

- 2. DURING A SUBSEQUENT MEETING WITH AMORPHOUS GROUP, AGREEMENT WAS REACHED THAT SUBPARA. (C) SHOULD NOT BE A CONSENT ACTIVITY BUT TREATED IN ARTICLE 51 AS A GENERAL OBLIGATION. FRG AT AUGUST 17 MEETING OF YANKOV CONSULTATIONS CLARIFIED THEIR POSITION REGARDING SUBPARA (C) ALONG LINES OF DISCUSSIONS IN AMORPHOUS GROUP. PAKISTAN INTERVENED SUPPORTING PARAGRAPH 1 OF ARTICLE 60 AND SUGGESTED DELETION OF PARAGRAPH 2. KENYA OBSERVED DISCUSSIONS APPEARED NOT BE LEADING ANYWHERE AND SUGGESTED NEGOTIATIONS MIGHT BE TRANSFERRED TO ANOTHER FORUM. THE USSR IN THEIR FIRST INTERVENTION IN YANKOV CONSULTATIONS SAID GROUP HAS NOT EXHAUSTED POSSIBILIITIES ON ARTICLE 60 BUT PERHAPS SHOULD NOW ADDRESS ARTICLE 64 AND 65 AND THEN RETURN TO DISCUSS ARTICLE 60
- 3. MEXICO DEFENDED ITS TEXT STATING IT WAS NOT SUBSTANTIALLY DIFFERENT FROM RSNT OR EVEN PROPOSAL OF BRAZIL.
 PERU ENDORSED KENYAN SUGGESTION OF DIFFERENT NEGOTIATING
 FORUM AND SUGGESTED YANKOV ESTABLISH A VERY SMALL GROUP
 TO TRY TO HAMMER OUT COMPROMISE. LIBERIA
 ENDORSED BRAZILIAN PROPOSAL BUT SAID COULD ACCEPT
 MEXICAN TEXT IF EXPRESS CONSENT WAS PROVIDED AND CONSENT
 WAS REQUIRED FOR RESEARCH AFFECTING SECURITY OF COASTAL
 STATES. TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO EXPRESSED PREFERENCE FIRST
 FOR ECUADORIAN PROPOSAL, THEN BRAZILIAN STATING THERE
 WERE COMMON ELEMENTS IN ALL PROPOSALS EVEN THE U.S.
 PROPOSAL. SUGGESTED AMENDING U.S. PROPOSAL FROM CONSENT
 SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO CONSENT SHALL BE REQUIRED ONLY
 IF.
- 4. AUSTRALIA MADE STRONG STATEMENT STRESSING NECESSITY FOR SETTLEMENT THAT COULD BE ACCEPTED NOT ONLY BY LARGER NUMBER OF STATES BUT LARGER POWERS AS WELL. AUSTRALIA THEN SUGGESTED THE FOLLOWING: CONFIDENTIAL

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(1) MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ACTIVITIES IN THE ECONOMIC ZONE OR ON THE CONTINENTAL SHELF SHALL BE PROMOTED AND FACILITATED BY THE COASTAL STATE. TO THIS END, ALL STATES SHALL ENCOURAGE MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ACTIVITIES WHICH FURTHER THE OBJECTIVES OF CHAPTER III OF THIS PART OF THE CONVENTION.

(2) A STATE MAY NOT WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE COASTAL STATE, CARRY OUT IN THE ECONOMIC ZONE OF THAT COASTAL STATE, A RESEARCH PROJECT WHICH IN THE OPINION OF THE COASTAL STATE AND THEN WOULD FOLLOW THE SUBPARAGRAPHS IN THE RSNT.

5. YANKOV AT CONCLUSION OF MEETING SUGGESTED THAT NEXT MEETING FOCUS UPON ARTICLES 64 AND 65. IN THE MEANTIME, HE WOULD UNDERTAKE CONSULTATION WITH A LIMITED NUMBER OF THE MORE ACTIVE DELEGATIONS AND PRODUCE A PROPOSAL TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE LARGER YANKOV CONSULTATION GROUP ON AUGUST 19.

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